1	2	3	4
BPCL	30,000	83,266	22,500
OIL	21,400	46,736	14,267
EIL	5,616	12,568	3,763
CPCL	14,900	12,243	3,705
KRL	13,817	10,946	2,902
IBP	2,215	5,422	2,215
NRL	73,563	2,160	
BRPL	19,982	−5,744	—
Biecco Lawrie	4,200	−867	—
Balmer Lawrie	1,629	601	244

*Union of India does not have shareholding in NRL.

Mixture of Ethanol with Petrol

3013. DR. C. NARAYANA REDDY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have allowed mixing ethanol with petrol;

(b) if so, the details of its advantages; and

(c) in what manner Government propose to prevent possible misuses?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR): (a) The three pilot projects set up by the Govt. for this purpose have proved to be successful and now the Govt. have decided to allow mixing of ethanol with petrol. Modalities for marketing the blended petrol in eight states in first phase are under formulation.

(b) The advantages *inter-alia* include reduction of carbon dioxide and sulphur in the environment, benefit to farmers (sugarcane growers) and distillery owners and earning of foreign exchange to export of surplus petrol.

(c) In order to prevent misuse of ethanol, oil companies have been procuring denatured anhydrous ethanol for the pilot projects.